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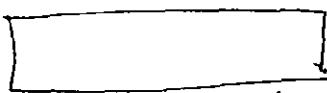
TO : The Ambassador

DATE: September 7, 1978

FROM : Cons, Brian J. Blood

SUBJECT: Denial of Permission to Interview PEN Detainees

Today I had a meeting with Col. San Roman, director of Internal Security at the Ministry of Interior, concerning his letter denying permission to interview PEN detainees in jail. He said the denial was based on a 1976 Foreign Ministry ruling that Consular Officers have access only to their own nationals who are detained. Col. San Roman further stated that the Ministry of Interior has requested a revision of this rule to allow Consular Officers to interview PEN detainees requesting the right of option regardless of their nationality. According to Col. San Roman the Foreign Ministry is favorably disposed to this modification.



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ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

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